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TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication  
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner  
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SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of Application No. 09/677,203

Applicant(s) : Michael J. Natan et al  
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The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,780,301 and an issue date of August 24, 2004.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant. Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of August 24, 2004:

**"All reference to Patent No. 6,780,301 to Michael J. Natan et al of California for METHOD OF MANUFACTURE OF COLLOIDAL ROD PARTICLES AS NANOBAR CODES appearing in the Official Gazette of August 24, 2004 should be deleted since no patent was granted."**

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